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SUBJECT: HOKKAIDO-MOMA ART LOAN PROPOSAL

REF: STATE 215335

SUMMARY: ITINERARY HOKKAIDO SHIMBUN REPRESENTATIVE TRANSMITTED. DEPT. ASKED CABLE NAMES MOMA AND DEPT. CONTACTS. END SUMMARY.

1. HOKKAIDO SHIMBUN AND OTHER SAPPORO SPONSORS VERY GRATEFUL FOR DEPARTMENT'S HELP AND DELIGHTED BY INTEREST NEW YORK MUSEUM MODERN ART. EIJI SUZUKI, DIRECTOR, SPECIAL PROJECTS DEPARTMENT, HOKKAIDO SHIMBUN WILL LEAVE TOKYO JAL FLIGH 6 1040 A.M. OCTOBER TWENTIETH DUE NEW YORK 1220 SAME DAY. HOTEL NOT YET KNOWN, BEING ARRANGED THROUGH TRAVEL AGENT.

2. SUZUKI WOULD LIKE MEET WITH MOMA REPRESENTATIVE MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, FOR INITIAL DISCUSSIONS. PREPARED REMAIN NEW YORK THREE TO FOUR DAYS AS NEEDED. DEPARTMENT SHOULD STRESS TO MOMA THAT SUZUKI, ALTHOUGH ALERT AND WELL-INFORMED, IS NEWSPAPER EXECUTIVE, NOT PARTICULARLY KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT EITHER ART OR MUSEUM OPERATIONS. HIS ROLE IS TO ESTABLISH GENERAL FOUNDATION FOR PROJECT. HOKKAIDO MUSEUM WILL SEND QUALIFIED CURATOR LATER FOR DETAILED DISCUSSIONS.

3. SUZUKI CONFIRMED AGAIN THAT JAPANESE WOULD PAY ALL COSTS INVOLVED IN PROJECT.

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4. KAZUO INAZAWA, WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT, HOKKAIDO SHIMBUN,

WILL MEET SUZUKI NEW YORK AND ACT AS ESCORT/INTERPRETER.
HIS OFFICE ROOM 733 NATIONAL PRESS BUILDING, TELEPHONE
3T3-9479. HOME APT 216, 1201 SOUTH SCOTT STREET, ARLINGTON,
TEL 7-3-979-6714.

5. WHEN NEW YORK DISCUSSIONS COMPLETED, SUZUKI WISES VISIT
WASHINGTON BRIEFLY OCTOBER 24 OR 25 TO PAY RESPECTS AT
DEPARTMENT AND DISCUSS IMPLEMENTATION OF PROJECT. HE PLANS
DEPART NEW YORK FOR EUROPE BY AS YET UNDETERMINED FLIGHT
SUNDAY OCTOBER 27.

6. DEPARTMENT REQUESTED PROVIDE BY OCTOBER 17 (1) NAME,
POSITION, AND IF POSSIBLE TIME OF INITIAL INTERVIEW MOMA
REPRESENTATIVE; (2) NAME AND TITLE OFFICER HE SHOULD CALL
UPON AT DEPARTMENT. TIME CAN BE FIXED WHEN SUZUKU SEES HOW
NEW YORK DISCUSSIONS PROCEEDING.
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